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**TO:** DDRS families, self-advocates, advocates, providers, case managers, stakeholders

**FROM:** Kylee B. Hope, Director, Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services

**DATE:** September 2, 2016

**RE:** Family Listening Sessions

This past June, the Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS) laid the foundation for a collective vision for supporting individuals with disabilities in Indiana. Rooted in the [LifeCourse Framework](#) developed by the [National Community of Practice for Supporting Families of Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities](#), DDRS' vision brings together commonly held values and beliefs into a comprehensive approach to developing integrated supports that empower individuals with disabilities and their families to chart a LifeCourse consistent with their needs and aspirations.

Central to this vision, families and extended community members are a critical resource for individuals with disabilities. Moreover, the vision reflects DDRS' understanding that individuals and their families, as a whole, need supports that address different facets of life, and that adjust as roles and needs of all members change through both the life cycle and family cycle - regardless of where an individual lives.

In order to continue moving towards realizing this vision, DDRS has partnered with [The Arc of Indiana](#) to schedule **Family Listening Sessions** across the state where I will take the opportunity to listen to individuals, families and self-advocates. The meetings are intended to:

- Seek feedback from families and self-advocates regarding their needs and ways DDRS can support opportunities for individuals with disabilities to maximize their full potential and participate in their families and community;
- Provide information to key stakeholders about the LifeCourse Framework initiative; and
- Share details on new federal laws impacting individuals with disabilities.

While these meetings have a focus on families and self-advocates, local area providers, community leaders, school representatives and other stakeholders are invited and encouraged to attend.



**FAMILY LISTENING MEETING DATES AND LOCATIONS**  
**2016 September/October**

**September 13, 2016 - EAST**

**9:00 am - 10:30 am**

**RICHMOND**

**Location:**     **Achieva Resources Corporation, Inc.,**  
800 Mendleson Drive, Richmond, IN 47375  
Phone: (765) 966-0502

**1:00 pm - 2:30 pm**

**MUNCIE**

**Location:**     **Hillcroft Services**  
Main Office  
114 East Streeter Avenue, Muncie, IN 47303  
Phone: (765) 284-4166

**September 20, 2016 - SOUTH**

**9:00 am - 10:30 am CST**  
(10:00 am - 11:30 am EST)

**EVANSVILLE**

**Location:**     **The Arc of Evansville**  
615 W Virginia St, Evansville, IN 47710  
Phone: (812) 428-4500

**1:30 pm – 3:00 pm EST**

**NEW ALBANY**

**Location:**     **Rauch**  
845 Park Place, New Albany, IN 47150  
Phone: (812) 945-4063

**4:30 pm – 6:00 pm**

**COLUMBUS**

**Location:**     **DSI**  
2920 Tenth Street, Columbus, IN 47202  
Phone: (812) 376-9404

**September 27, 2016 - NORTH**

**9:00 am - 10:30 am CST**  
(10:00 am - 11:30 am EST)

**VALPARAISO**

**Location:** **Opportunity Enterprises Inc.**  
2801 Evans Ave., Valparaiso, IN 46383  
Phone: (219) 464-9621

**1:30 pm – 3:00 pm**

**LAFAYETTE**

**Location:** **Wabash Center**  
2000 Greenbush St, Lafayette, IN 47904  
Phone: (765) 423-5531

**September 27, 2016 – NORTH - continued**

**4:30 pm – 6:00 pm**

**KOKOMO**

**Location:** **BONA VISTA**  
1800 South Plate, Kokomo, IN 46902  
Phone: (765) 450-7667

**September 30, 2016 - WEST**

**9:00 am - 11:30 am**

**TERRE HAUTE**

**Location:** **Arc of Vigo County**  
11 Cherry St, Terre Haute, IN 47807  
Phone: (812) 232-4112

**2:00 pm - 3:30 pm**

**INDIANAPOLIS**

**Location:** **NOBLE**  
7701 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, IN 46219  
Phone: (317) 375- 2700

**5:30 pm – 7:00 pm**

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**October 4, 2016 - FAR NORTH**

**10:00 am - 11:30 am**

**BRISTOL**

**Location:**     **ADEC, INC.**  
19670 State Road 120, Bristol, IN 46507  
Phone: (574) 848-7451

**2:00 pm – 3:30 pm**

**COLUMBIA CITY**

**Location:**     **Passages, Inc.**  
301 W Van Buren St #201, Columbia City, IN  
46725  
Phone: (260) 244-7688

**October 6, 2016 – ONLINE OPPORTUNITY**

**3:00 pm – 4:30 pm**

**Web address and telephone number will be distributed closer to meeting date.**